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**NOTIFICATIONS BY GOVERNMENT**  
**ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY**  
**DEPARTMENT**  
**(Section.II)**

ESTABLISHMENT OF A.P. STATE COMPENSATORY AFFORESTATION FUND  
MANAGEMENT AND PLANNING AUTHORITY (A. P. STATE CAMPA).

**[G.O.Ms.No. 106, Environment, Forests, Science & Technology (Section.II),  
26<sup>th</sup> October, 2018.]**

**NOTIFICATION**

1. In pursuance of the guidelines on State Compensatory Afforestation Fund Management and Planning Authority (State CAMPA) dated. 10-8-2018, issued by the Government of India, the State Government hereby establish an authority known as Andhra Pradesh State Compensatory Afforestation Fund Management and Planning Authority (herein after referred to as Andhra Pradesh State CAMPA) with immediate effect for the purpose of enhancement of forest and tree cover and conservation and management of wildlife by utilizing funds received towards Compensatory Afforestation, Net Present Value (NPV) etc. in compliance of the conditions stipulated by the Central Government while according approval under Forest (Conservation ) Act, 1980 (Act 69 of 1980) for non forestry uses of the forest land and Accounting Procedure as may be notified by the Central Government.

2. In pursuance of Section 4 of the Compensatory Afforestation Management and Planning Authority Act, 2016 and other provisions hereunto enabling, and in supersession of Orders issued in G.O.Ms.No.78, EFS&T Dept. dated 11-9-2009 the Government of Andhra Pradesh hereby constitutes the “**Andhra Pradesh State Compensatory Afforestation Fund Management and Planning Authority**”, and also the Governing body, Steering Committee and Executive Committee of State Authority and their powers and functions.

3. The Governing body of the Authority shall in performance of its functions and powers under the Compensatory Afforestation Management and Planning Authority Act, 2016 (herein after called '**Act**') be assisted by the Steering Committee and the Executive Committee.

4. The A.P. State CAMPA shall consist of a Governing Body, a Steering Committee and an Executive Committee.

**THE GOVERNING BODY** : shall consist of the following:-

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| (i) Chief Minister   | - | Chairperson      |
| (ii) Minister of Forests or EFS&T  | - | Member           |
| (iii) Chief Secretary  | - | Member           |
| (iv) Principal Secretaries of the Departments<br>dealing with Environment, Finance, Planning,<br>Rural Development, Revenue, Agriculture,<br>Tribal Development, Panchayati Raj,<br>Science and Technology | - | Members          |
| (v) Principal Chief Conservator of Forests<br>(Head of Forest Force)   | - | Member           |
| (vi) Chief Wildlife Warden   | - | Member           |
| (vii) Chief Executive Officer of State Authority   | - | Member           |
| (viii) Prl. Secretary In-charge of the Forest Dept.  | - | Member Secretary |

**THE STEERING COMMITTEE**: shall consist of the following:-

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| (i) Chief Secretary  | - | Chairperson      |
| (ii) Principal Secretaries of the Departments dealing<br>with Forests, Environment, Finance, Planning,<br>Rural Development, Revenue, Agriculture,<br>Tribal Development, Panchayati Raj, Science<br>and Technology. | - | Members          |
| (iii) Principal Chief Conservator of Forests<br>(Head of Forest Force)   | - | Member           |
| (iv) Chief Wildlife Warden   | - | Member           |
| (v) Nodal Officer, the Forest<br>(Conservation) Act, 1980  | - | Member           |
| (vi) Head of the concerned regional office of the<br>Ministry of Environment, Forest and<br>Climate Change   | - | Member           |
| (vii) Nodal Officer, State Forest Development Agency   | - | Member           |
| (viii) An expert on tribal matters or a<br>representative of tribal communities to<br>be appointed by the State Government   | - | Member           |
| (ix) Chief Executive Officer, State Authority.   | - | Member-Secretary |

**THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:** shall consist of the following:-

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| (i)    | Principal Chief Conservator of Forests<br>(Head of Forest Force).  | - | Chairperson      |
| (ii)   | Chief Wildlife Warden.   | - | Member           |
| (iii)  | An officer not below the rank of a<br>Chief Conservator of Forests dealing<br>with forest and wildlife related schemes.  | - | Member           |
| (iv)   | An officer not below the rank of a<br>Chief Conservator of Forests dealing<br>with forestry research.  | - | Member           |
| (v)    | Nodal Officer, State Forest Development<br>Agency.   | - | Member           |
| (vi)   | A representative each of the<br>Departments dealing with Environment,<br>Finance, Planning, Rural Development,<br>Revenue, Agriculture, Tribal Development,<br>Panchayati Raj, Science and Technology. | - | Member           |
| (vii)  | Financial Controller or Financial Adviser,<br>to be nominated by the Finance Department.   | - | Member           |
| (viii) | Two eminent non- government<br>organizations to be appointed by the<br>State Government.   | - | Members          |
| (ix)   | Two representatives of district level<br>Panchayati Raj Institutions to be<br>appointed by the State Government.   | - | Members          |
| (x)    | An expert on tribal matters or a<br>representative of tribal community to be<br>appointed by the State Government.   | - | Member           |
| (xi)   | Chief Executive Officer, State Authority.  | - | Member-Secretary |

**5. Selection of non-official Members of State Authority.—**

- (1) The Department of the State Government dealing with forests shall seek nomination from various Departments of the State Government, for non-official members of State Authority.
- (2) Departments of the State Government, District Administration of the State shall forward the names for the non-official members of the State Authority with full credentials to the Department of the State Government dealing with forests for consideration.
- (3) The non-official members referred to in sub-rule (1) shall be resident of India holding a Bachelor's Degree from a recognised University or equivalent in related field having work experience of ten years in the related field in the Central Government, State Government, Non-Government Organisation, Recognised Research Institute or University.

- (4) The non-official members referred to in sub-rule (1) should not be employees of the Government:

provided that educational qualification and experience for the Scheduled Caste and the Schedule Tribe nominee may be relaxed by the State Government on recommendation of the State Authority.

**6. The Selection Committee to prepare the panel of eligible candidates for appointment of non-official members of the State Authority shall comprise of the following, namely:-**

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| (i)   | Chief Secretary of the State.  | - | Chairman         |
| (ii)  | Special Chief Secretary or Principal Secretary in-charge of the Forest Department in the State.                            | - | Member           |
| (iii) | One Special Chief Secretary or Principal Secretary or Secretary in the State Government nominated by the State Government. | - | Member           |
| (iv)  | Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Forest Force).   | - | Member           |
| (v)   | Chief Wildlife Warden of the State.  | - | Member           |
| (vi)  | Head of the concerned Regional Office of the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change.                           | - | Member           |
| (vii) | Chief Executive Officer of the State Authority.  | - | Member Secretary |

**7. The State Authority may appoint the following officers for a period not exceeding five years, to assist the steering committee and executive committee in performance of its functions under the Act, namely:—**

- (1) Joint Chief Executive Officer of the rank not below the rank of a Conservator of Forests;
- (2) Financial Advisor and Chief Accounts Officer of the rank not below the rank of a Deputy Secretary in the State Government;
- (3) Deputy Chief Executive Officer of the rank not below the rank of a Deputy Conservator of Forests.
- (4) The governing body of the State Authority may with the prior concurrence of the State Government create posts in the State Authority at the level of Assistant Conservator of Forests and other officials to assist the steering committee and executive committee in performance of its functions under the Act.
- (5) The State Government shall appoint an officer of the rank not below the rank of a Chief Conservator of Forests as the Chief Executive Officer of the State Authority who shall be the Member-Secretary of the steering committee and the executive committee of the State Authority.

**8. Powers and Functions of the Governing body of a State Authority shall—**

- (1) lay down the broad policy framework for the functioning of such State Authority within the overall framework notified by the Central Government on the recommendations of the National Authority;
- (2) review the working of the State Authority from time to time.

**9. Powers and Functions of the Steering Committee of a State Authority shall—**

- (1) scrutinize and approve with such amendments as it may deems fit and proper the annual plan of operations prepared by the executive committee of such State Authority and send the same to the executive committee of the National Authority for final approval;
- (2) monitor the progress of the utilization of funds released from the State Fund;
- (3) review reports on decision taken by executive committee including investment decisions;
- (4) approve, subject to prior concurrence of the State Government, proposals formulated by the executive committee for creation of posts in the State Authority;
- (5) approve annual report of the State Authority and send the same to the State Government to lay it, each year, in each House of the State Legislature;
- (6) ensure inter-departmental coordination.
- (7) Meet at least once in every three months.

**10. Powers and Functions of the Executive Committee of a State Authority shall—**

- (1) formulate and submit annual plan of operations to the steering committee of the State Authority for its concurrence;
- (2) undertake qualitative and quantitative supervision, monitoring and evaluation of the works being implemented from amounts available in the State Fund;
- (3) invest surplus amounts available in the State Fund of such State;
- (4) maintain books of account and other records;
- (5) submit reports to the steering committee of the State Authority;
- (6) prepare annual report of the State Authority;
- (7) deploy staff on contractual basis or on deputation to the posts in the State Authority;
- (8) formulate proposals for creation of posts in the State Authority;
- (9) be responsible for delegation of financial or administrative powers;
- (10) be responsible for other day-to-day working in respect of the State Authority;
- (11) maintain and update public information system on the State Authority and present all information on its transaction in the public domain;
- (12) undertake any other work as may be assigned by the governing body or steering committee of the State Authority or the State Government, from time to time.

**G. ANANTHA RAMU,**  
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